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Happy Success that will attend Their Majesties Protestant Army now in *Ireland*; and the Miserable Fate of the *French* and *Irish* Papists there in Arms and open Rebellion against Their Majesties.

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How that by the Policy and Power of the Great Duke *Schomberg*, and the rest of those worthy Gentlemen and Soldiers there under his Command, the late King *James* and all his Adherents (that do not timely lay hold on Their most Gracious Majesties Act of Indemnity) will be totally brought unto Ruine and Desolation; for *Ireland* must and will certainly be made subject to King *William* and Queen *Mary*.

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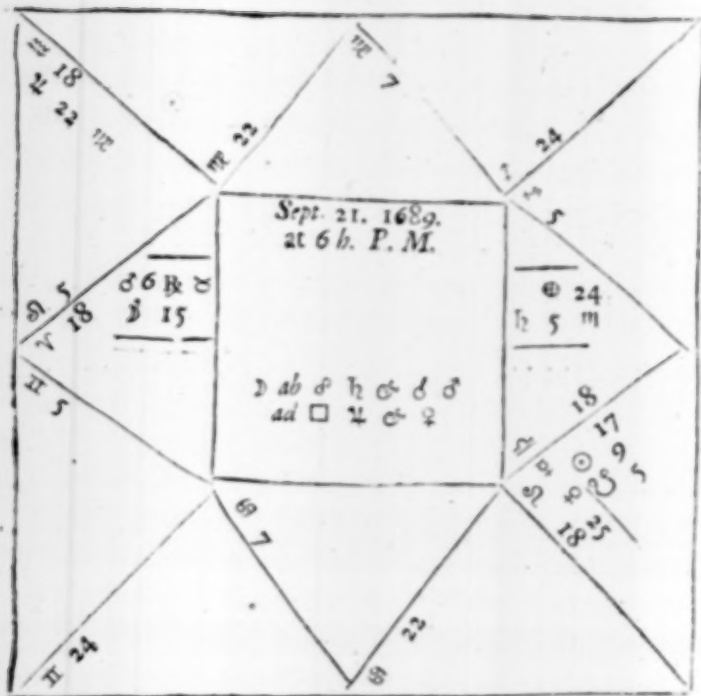
# ENGLAND.

**T**HE Noble Science of Astrology is an Honest, True and Lawful Art and Study, though by two sorts of Men now adays slighted, vilified and condemned, (to wit) the Envious and the Ignorant, both which have been sufficiently corrected and refuted by the Learned Champions and Propagators of that sublime Knowledge.

But to come to our intended Business, an Honourable, Worthy and Loyal Protestant Gentleman, with much Earnestness and Affection, desired me to erect a Scheme, and give him my Judgment on the Affairs now depending in *Ireland*, and according to his desire, I took the exact time of his propounding the Question, and found the Heavens in the following Posture: And because it is so remarkable and pertinent a Position, I was earnestly solicited to make it publick, which I have here done for the Reasons urged unto me.

Now that a Man may lawfully seek a Resolution on any lawful Enterprize, is plain from that Example of *David*, who being in *Keilah*, and hearing that *Saul* was advancing towards him, in order to besiege that City, was desirous to know whether he would yea or no; and if so, then whether the Men of *Keilah* would be true unto him, and not betray him into the Hands of *Saul*?

## The SCHEME.



## Judgment on it.

**I**N this Figure the strength or weakness of each Planet is as followeth, viz. *Saturn* is here found strong by eight Testimonies; *Jupiter* is weak by five Testimonies; *Mars* is weak by three Testimonies; the *Sun* is weak by nine Testimonies; *Venus*

is equal in Fortitude, and Debilities; *Mercury* is strong by sixteen Testimonies; and the *Moon* is strong by eighteen Testimonies; and thus they stand according to their Position, omitting the Aspects either good or evil, which shall be considered in the Sequel.

By the Strength of the envious Planet *Saturn* in the Seventh, the House representing our Enemy, and the Square of *Venus*, Lady of the Seventh, unto the part of Fortune, and her Opposition to *Jupiter* Lord of the Ninth, in the Twelfth Retrograde, with the Opposition of *Saturn* to *Mars* Lord of the Ascendant, may we plainly see the Miseries, Calamities, Afflictions and Sorrows that have been inflicted upon the poor Protestants in the Kingdom of *Ireland* by their implacable Enemies; and what unusual and unnatural Barbarity would be further committed on all that either oppose them, or dissent from them in either Principles or Practice, should but their Antichristian Arms prevail against them.

By the Weakness of *Jupiter* in the Twelfth, we may behold what would be the Fate of Religion, or at least the true Professors thereof, should our Enemies prevail over us, viz. The True Religion it self would be contemned, cast by, and trampled on by those Romish Idolators, and the true Professors and Propagators of true Piety cast into Prison, harrassed and condemned to Death, and others to perpetual Slavery.

By the Weakness of *Mars*, Lord of the Ascendant, and his Affliction by *Saturn* Lord of the Tenth in the Seventh, may we be informed what Kindness the People of *England* may expect from a Popish King and Governor, should they again have such an Egyptian Plague or Task-Master.

But now let us see whether such a thing shall be yea or no, or whether the Protestant or Popish Army shall become Lord and Master of *Ireland*?

Never could there have been a Figure erected (had the time been elected) more pertinent to the matter in hand, or intent of the Querent, than this very Face of Heaven is, wherein we have the Sign *Aries* Ascending, which Sign is truly accounted the Horoscope of *England*, and *Mars* Lord thereof not long entered *Taurus*, the Sign owning *Ireland*, thereby signifying the English Army now Invading that Kingdom.

*Saturn*

*Saturn* and *Mars* are mutually applying to an *Opposition* from the First and Seventh House, which imports a Resolution in both Parties to meet, and that an obstinate and Dreadful Fight may be expected between them. *Saturn* is (indeed at present) much stronger than *Mars*, and there are more Planets relating to the Seventh House, than there are to the First, which signifies the Enemy to be more numerous than we; and the Lady of the Seventh House being with *Cor Leonis*, puffs them up with Pride and Haughtiness, and with an expectation of Success: But Oh! the miserable disappointment that they will certainly meet with, for these Reasons in Art.

First, The Lady of the Seventh, is in the Sixth, in Opposition unto *Jupiter* Lord of the Eighth, in the Twelfth, which importeth the miserable Havock that will be made of them by Wounds, Sicknes, Imprisonment, and Death.

Secondly, The *Sun* is in the Sixth with the *Dragon's Tail*, which signifies Infamy and Disgrace, if not Imprisonment and Destruction to a Great Don amongst them.

Thirdly, The *Moon*, Lady of the Fourth in the First in her Exaltation, is a sure Argument that the Country of *Ireland* will surely fall into our Hands, and wholly at the Protestant Disposall and Use.

Fourthly, That because *Mars* disposeth of *Saturn*, and *Luna* strong in the Ascendant, and applying to the *Square* of *Venus*, as she is Lady of the Seventh, there's no doubt but the Enemy will be routed, stand they never so obstinate.

Fifthly, The *Trine* of *Jupiter* and *Mercury* signifies a Beneficial, Wise, and Successful Conclusion of this great Affair unto *England*, and the Protestant Army; for *Mercury* is very potent in the Figure, and is Lord of the Second House, and *Jupiter* is exalted in the Fourth.

Sixthly, *Mars* is exalted in the Tenth, but *Saturn* hath his Fall in the Ascendant; *Mars* is Rising, but *Saturn* is Setting; *Mars* by his Retrograde Motion returns in *Aries* his own House, and there becomes Direct; *Venus*, Lady of the Seventh, is trooping into *Virgo* her Fall; and *Saturn* continueth under the Dispose of *Mars* Lord of the Ascendant; and the Head of the Dragon is in *England's*

*Ireland's* Horoscope; from all which may thus much be said truly, That the Vanity of the *Papists*, *Jacobites*, or *Grumbletonians* is far beyond Laughter, for to think, or rather dream of a Victory, or that ever the Late King *James* should regain his Abdicated Crown and Dignity, notwithstanding the Assistance of his most Christian Majesty. No, the British Imperial Crowns are seated on the Sacred Heads of such as know well how to keep them, to the Terror and Perplexity of their Enemies, but the due Praise and Glory of God.

*Vivant Rex Guilielmus, & Regina Maria.*

## POSTSCRIPT.

**L** Et not any Astrological Reader wonder that I should be so large and peremptory on a Horary Question; for I assure him, that I do not reckon it the least part of the Art; tho I really esteem of every part thereof: But for to back the Truth of what I have said on the preceding Figure (with other parts of Astrology) let the Geneathliacal Astrologer consider, That soon after an Eclipse of the Sun upon the place of the Sun, in the late Kings Nativity, and the Conjunction of the two Malevolent Planets, on the same place he Abdicated his Throne, and hath ever since struggled under those Influences, and with French and Irish Forces hath been fumbling for it again: But now in *August* there happened an Opposition of those very Planets, *Saturn* then on the very place aforesaid; soon after which the Valiant, Politick, and Successful General *Schomberg* with their Majesties Forces entered that Kingdom; and now about the 22<sup>d</sup> day of this Instant *September*, those Planets make a second Opposition, and *Saturn* still near the same place, and also *Mars* in *Taurus*, *Ireland's* Horoscope; all which, according to Geneathliacal and Mundane Astrology, doth signifie no other than what we have said on this Horary Question; and that the Duke will purchase to himself and his Army a Lasting Name and Fame, by routing  
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the Popish Hornets out of the Protestant Hive in *Ireland*. And thus much are we encouraged by the Stars, which are Gods Instruments: Now let us consider some more Divine Encouragement which should animate our Protestant Souls and Souldiers to the highest pitch of Valour and Prowels: For, dear Hearts of Gold, you Fight the Lord of Hosts his Battel; but your Enemy Fights the Battel of their Lord God the Pope; for so their great Cardinal *Bellarmino*, and other Belweathers of *Rome* have called him; you fight for the Liberty of the Glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ: Your Adversaries Fight for that bundle of Trumpery, the Mass-Book: You Fight for a Protestant King and Queen, that will maintain you and yours in their just Rights and Priviledges: The Enemy Fights to enslave you and your Posterity's Souls, Bodies, and Purfes, and devour you by French and Irish Canibals: Therefore, although the Enemy (with the Haughty *Sennacherib*) boast themselves in their Multitude, and humane (I had almost said inhumane) Strength; yet you know that you go forth to Battel in the Strength of the Lord your God, who can with a small Number, and without Bow or Arrow, Spear or Shield, with a few Lappers of Water, destroy the *Midianites* and *Amalekites*, although as numerous as Grasshoppers; and I assure you (that as in *Deborah* and *Barach's* time, so now) the Stars in their Course Fight, and will Fight against the Romish *Jabin* and *Sisera*; and you have a Mighty Man of Valour and Conduct for your Leader; therefore make good use of the Sword of the Lord and of *Gideon*, and the work will be done, to the shame of such as Live in a slavish Fear, or Treasonable Hope of the late Kings Return.

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